

## ROB POST-OFFICE AT COLLEGE PARK

Thieves Break Glass in Window and Steal Stamps and Other Things.

## BREAK INTO GROCERY STORE

James River Rises to Stage of Twelve Feet—Y. M. C. A. Campaign Closes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., March 15.—The College Park post-office and Thornhill's grocery store adjoining, which are located near Norfolk Avenue on Rivermont Avenue, were robbed some time last night, the burglars getting away with a lot of stamps, envelopes, cards and personal effects of Miss Goode, the postmistress. In addition to a lot of the stock of the grocery store. Entrance to the store was effected by smashing a large plate glass window, which will cost about \$40 to replace. To gain admission to the post-office the thieves broke a glass in a small window, through which the fastening was unhooked.

The muddy tracks in the post-office indicate that at least two men were engaged in the robbery. There may have been three or four.

In the post-office the thieves secured two mite boxes, in which funds were being collected for St. John's Episcopal Church by Miss Goode, who thinks there must have been \$8 to \$10 in them. The cash in the post-office money drawer amounted to \$1.61, most of which was in pennies.

The mail in the office, the major portion of which was for the students at the Randolph-Macon Woman's College, was piled and thrown over the door. Many registered parcel post packages were torn open, and it is not known how much mail matter was included in the booty.

Mr. Thornhill stated that as far as he could tell he lost about \$2 in money, \$10 or \$12 worth of cigars and cigarettes, two boxes of chewing gum and several cured hams. The loss from the stock will hardly be as much as the cost of replacing the plate glass window, which was uninsured.

The window at the store was cracked with a small hatchet, which was found near the store this morning, and the man who was engaged in the job cut himself on the jagged glass, for the blood left on the glass was a mute witness to this fact.

The James River rose to a stage of twelve feet here this afternoon. This is thought to be about the crest of the freshet, and eight feet below the danger stage.

As a result of more than three-inches of precipitation in the past three days, this being the first discoloration since last June.

After hearing charges against Policeman D. C. Oakes to-day the police board refused to accept the policeman's resignation and discharged him. Oakes was charged with persistently leaving his beat.

The annual membership contest of the Lynchburg Y. M. C. A. which began Monday closed to-night amid great enthusiasm. The contest resulted in a gain of about 500 members, giving the association 1,525 members for this year. This is the largest membership the association has ever had. The canvass was conducted by two divisions—the Blues defeating the Reds.

## NO CLASH BETWEEN THESE ASPIRANTS

Dr. Page and Colonel Willard Are Not Opposing Each Other.

## BYRD SEES PRESIDENT

He Is Noncommittal as to Purpose of Visit to White House.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, D. C., March 15.—Interest in the question of whether Colonel Joseph E. Willard or Dr. Thomas Nelson Page, or both, will receive foreign posts at the hands of President Willard was kept going here to-day by the visit of Richard Evelyn Byrd to the White House, and later to Senator Martin's office. Mr. Byrd was noncommittal when asked by The Times-Dispatch correspondent if he wished to comment on this interesting race, or to say whether he had spoken to the President concerning his own interests. At any rate, the White House visit of this well-known Virginian caused the foreign post matter again to become a live subject of conversation among Virginians.

It has now become quite clear, since the visit of Congressman-Elect Montague and Harry St. George Tucker to the White House a few days ago, that there is no "fight." The friends of Dr. Page are not opposing Colonel Willard, and Colonel Willard's friends are not antagonistic to Dr. Page. While interest in the affairs of each is as keen as ever, there is no clash, the friends of both said to-day. It is simply this—the friends of each are loyal, but as for making an attack of any kind, that has never been thought of. Both Colonel Willard and Dr. Page are American citizens, and they are Democrats. If both can win, then good and well; if only one can win, nothing will be put in the way of making his work a complete success.

Mr. Byrd returned to Richmond from Washington last night, but he had nothing to say about his visit to the White House.

## PASSENGER DIES ABOARD OCEANIC

Police in London Are Making Deep Mystery of Affair.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] London, March 15.—A wireless message telling of the mysterious death of Miss Anna Wilson, of New York, on board the Oceanic, was received at Southampton this afternoon. The message read:

"Miss Anna Wilson, a first-class passenger, was found dead, and we think an inquest is necessary."

The Oceanic landed her passengers late in the afternoon, and the body of Miss Wilson was taken to a mortuary, where a post-mortem was held. The police are making a deep mystery of the affair. They refuse to say whether she was travelling alone or whether she was travelling with a companion, or whether the ship's doctor reached her.

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## GOVERNMENT MAY DEMAND SECRET

Likely to Attempt to Compel Revelation by Dr. Friedrich Friedmann.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, March 15.—The disconcerting experiences which befell Dr. Friedrich Friedmann before his departure for Canada last Monday bid fair to be repeated following his return to-morrow.

To-day it was learned that the government, before proceeding with the clinic arranged at Bellevue, under the supervision of Dr. John F. Anderson and Dr. Arthur M. Stimson, of the Public Health Service, will "request" that Dr. Friedmann divulge to it the secret of the composition of his turtle germ vaccine. In this request will be virtually a command, and all sorts of complications are likely to follow a refusal.

The government, before further experimentation, wishes to assure itself absolutely that Dr. Friedmann's vaccine is harmless. Surgeon General Rupert Blue and his associates at Washington desire to assure themselves that the Friedmann bacillus is not a virulent infecting agent, the introduction of which might be positively dangerous to the human system, but that it is a true antitoxin.

It was also learned that the County Medical Society and the society's vaccine have heard rumors that private patients have been treated by Dr. Friedmann, or his brother, Dr. A. C. H. Friedmann, and Dr. Sturm, house physician of the Ansonia. As a result of these rumors the County Medical Society is closely watching every move made by a member of the Friedmann party.

Dr. Sturm was quoted to-day as stating that he had watched the improvement of five patients inoculated with the bacilli eight days ago, and all have shown phenomenal improvement.

Dr. Sturm was also quoted as saying that Dr. Friedmann will refuse point-blank to reveal the secret of the composition of the vaccine, which is known to only one other man, Professor Schleich, of Berlin.

On the other hand, the government, with the knowledge that Friedmann attempted and still desires to patent his discovery in this country, announces that unless the German meets every test in proving the safety of the vaccine he will not be allowed to send or carry his cultures from one State to another, and will not be permitted to import it into this country.

## STORM LEAVES TRAIL OF DEATH AND RUIN

Oswego, N. Y., March 15.—A terrific windstorm swept over Oswego and vicinity to-day, leaving a trail of death and ruin. Earl Davis, a carpenter at Laconia, was killed, and many others were more or less seriously injured.

An icehouse at the New York Central shops here was blown down. Telegraph and telephone wires for miles around were torn down. Reports from the town indicate that heavy damage has been done to small buildings throughout the county.

The storm was accompanied by thunder, lightning and some rain, and lasted nearly an hour.

A man and two boys were set adrift upon a cake of ice in Oswego harbor and were rescued with difficulty.

WOMAN STOLEN AND SOLD INTO WHITE SLAVERY

(Continued from First Page.)

The guest while in the city of Mrs. R. B. Valentine, president of the Equal Suffrage League of Virginia. James Lees Laidlaw, is secretary of the Men's Equal Suffrage League of New York City, and, with Mrs. Laidlaw, is prominent in the national suffrage movement.

## JOHN H. BAYLISS ENDS HIS LIFE

Despondent Because He Was Out of Work He Fires Bullet Into His Brain.

Apparently despondent because he was out of work, it was said, and after an evening of heavy drinking, John H. Bayliss, a clerk, committed suicide this morning shortly after midnight in the bedroom of his home at 2921 East Marshall Street, by shooting himself through the temple. A 32-caliber bullet from a revolver crashed into his brain, causing almost instant death.

Dr. J. R. Blair, of 2901 East Broad Street, was summoned by members of the family, but Bayliss was dead when he arrived.

Bayliss, who was said to have been out of work for some time, came home about midnight and went at once to his room on the second floor. A few minutes later two brothers and other members of the household heard a pistol shot and the fall of a heavy body to the floor. They rushed upstairs and found Bayliss lying upon the floor in a pool of his own blood, with the still smoking revolver near his side.

Patrolman Akers also heard the shot and made a hurried investigation. Detective Atkinson was also called in, and from the facts which were gathered, it was said it was a clear case of suicide.

SWOLLEN WATERS CAUSING DAMAGE

Conditions in Georgia Are Made Alarming by Heavy Rains.

Atlanta, Ga., March 15.—Flood conditions in Georgia resulting from recent heavy rains to-day are reaching alarming proportions, causing great loss of property. A thirty-five-foot stage of the Savannah River at Augusta predicted, and sections of that city already are being washed by flood waters.

Reports from Milledgeville indicate the largest freshet in the Oconee River bottoms in many years.

Lowland homes near Macon have been surrounded with water from the overflow of the Ocmulgee River.

Several railroad trestles have been washed away in different sections of the State. Atlantic Coast Line trains running between Thomasville, Ga., and Montgomery, Ala., were delayed from twelve to eighteen hours to-day on account of washouts.

At Flood Stage. Columbia, S. C., March 15.—Several hours of heavy and continuous rain has resulted in a sudden and decided rise in the Congaree River. Already the river has reached flood stage, and the weather officials predict a rise to twenty-three feet, eight feet above the danger mark. The rise in the water has rendered useless the water power electric plant, and the auxiliary steam apparatus has been set to work.

So far no material loss has been reported, but the damage in the river bottoms is proving considerable, owing to the flooding of lands already prepared for crops.

## SUIT TO DECLARE SALE FRAUDULENT

Action by Minority Stockholders of Southern Building Corporation.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Alexandria, Va., March 15.—In the Circuit Court for this city, a suit was brought to-day by Charles Hall Davis and Sale, Mann and Tyler, attorneys for Robert Emerson, Jr., John L. Kaul, Culpeper Exam and Margaret S. Rhodes, executrix of Rufus M. Rhodes, to declare fraudulent the sale and conveyance of the Southern Building in Washington to the Commercial Fire Insurance Company and the First National Fire Insurance Company of the United States.

The suit is instituted in the Alexandria court because of the fact that the Southern Building Corporation, the original owners of the building, is a Virginia corporation.

The suit is instituted against the Commercial Fire Insurance Company, the First National Fire Insurance Company, the Southern Building Corporation, Charles F. Carusi, William F. Tyson, Charles A. Douglas, James B. Archer, John L. Cassin, and Charles R. Hooff, the last six of whom are directors of the Southern Building Corporation; the Richmond Realty Corporation, the United States Trust Company, Charles F. Carusi, Robert N. Harper, J. M. Walker, R. H. McNeill,

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J. L. Karrick and Charles A. Douglas. Subpoenas for the above-named defendants will be issued, returnable to the first day of the April term of the Circuit Court.

In their bill of particulars the complainants ask that the Southern Building and the lot on which it stands be reconveyed to the building corporation; that the insurance companies be enjoined and restrained from disposing of or encumbering the real estate; that a receiver be appointed for the Southern Building Corporation; that the building be sold under the supervision of the court; that the outstanding bonds and stock of the corporation be determined; that \$25,000 preferred and \$25,000 common stock issued to J. M. Baker, R. H. McNeill, J. L. Karrick and Charles A. Douglas, issued without consideration to said parties, be canceled; to cancel \$75,000 preferred and \$75,000 common stock issued to said Baker, McNeill, Karrick and Douglas while directors of said corporation, and also that certain mortgage bonds and stock held by the Richmond Realty

Company or the two insurance companies be either canceled or the holders required to pay par value therefor; to protect and enforce in all other respects the rights and interests of the complainants and all other minority stockholders of the Southern Building Corporation who are similarly situated.

RAPHAELS DISCOVERED [Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] Rome, March 15.—Slavov Venturi has discovered four paintings by Raphael at Perugia. One of these is a fresco, and is said to be of great beauty. None of the paintings has ever been heard of before. It is thought that the works are among the best ever done by the great artist.